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**Producing Laminated Articles** 

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-captioned application as follows. Insert the following onto page 1 after the title and before the "Field of the Invention" section:

--The present application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/204,307 filed on May 15, 2000.--

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Respectfully requested,

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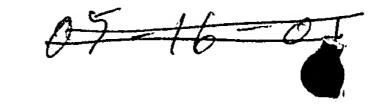
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